Order, 1989 on the ground that Oral Rehydration Salt is not a single bulk drug but is a combination oi a number of inorganic salts and dextrose. The Category-I list consists of single bulk drugs for the purpose of price, control with M.A.P.E. (Minimum Allowable Post/manufacturing Expenses) of 75 per cent.

Drugs used in National TB Eradication Programme

694. SHRi ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 2218 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 14th March, 1989 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are certain drugs used in National TB Eradication Programme which have not been included under Category-I of Drugs Price Control Order;

(b) if so, names of those drugs;

(c) what are the reasons for non-inclusion of such drugs;

(d) what is the policy in this regard; and

(e) what is the recommendation of expert committee appointed by Government in respect to the drugs which have not been included?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE' (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) to (d) The drug Rifampicin which is used in National T.B. Programme has been re-categorised from Category-I to Category-II to boost basic production of the drug in the country for serving as an incentive for abundant supply of the drugs.

(e) The recommendation of Expert Committee appointed by the Government is still under consideration.

Authority to decide Chief Executive of the recognised association

695. DR. NAGEN SAIKIA: PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that power to decide which of the office bearers of a recognised association of Central Government employees should be designated as the Chief Executive rest* with the concerned associations;

(b) if so, whether the recognising agency is empowered to amend/curtail the powers of the association in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM); (a) to (c) The authority to decide as to who should be the Chief Executive, rests with the concerned association in terms of the Constitution of the Association. The Recognising Agency can intervene only when any provisions in the Constitution/Bye-Laws of the association violates the condition for granting recognition.

Functioning of JCM Councils

696. DR. NAGEN SAIKIA; Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state-.

(a) whether it is a fact that in a recent circular dated the 27th October, 1988 issued ' by the Government of India (Department of Personnel) have emphasised the need of functioning of JCM Councils to the satisfaction of the Staff-side;

(b) if so, whether this applies to JCM councils of Corporation/Societies controlled and funded by the Government of India; and